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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. As this application is being filed after June 30, 2003, no copies of the cited U.S. patents are attached. One copy of each foreign reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

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English abstracts have been provided for each foreign-language reference and Applicant relies upon each abstract for a statement of relevance for the corresponding abstract. JP 2-501411 is cited on page 2 of the present specification. Other references were cited in an International Search Report, attached hereto, dated May 31, 2005 in a corresponding foreign application.

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